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BLAMING BEECHER.

The Republican Members of Plymouth Church Anxious for Revenge.

Dissatisfied With His Political Course—Annual Sale of Pews—The Malcontents to Stay Away—An Unorganized but Largely Favored Scheme—Beecher Indifferent.

to a younger man and preaching only occasionally, but continuing always as the pastor of Plymouth Church."

MONSIEUR LE MARQUIS.

The Titled Frenchman Hires a Titled Lawyer to Prosecute His Suit.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, December 24.—A little innocent boy, not yet 12 years old, sat behind a desk in the big square room at the top of the first flight of stairs in the Frank Leslie publishing house, yesterday. The boy's face was long and narrow, and of the color of a newspaper wrapper. This boy just stuck out from the crowd, and had so dexterously assumed its proportions through some contact with poets and narrators of the exploits of red-handed cutlaws and abdicated monarchs. By the boy's side, indeed, was a massive ink pot, glued to the desk, like a mute critic of the ways of honorable poets and literateurs. The boy and the visitor were old companions, so when the visitor laid his silver headed can and silk hat down upon his desk he burst out with:

"Hello, do you want me to say 'markusque'?" The visitor reproved the youth for such unbecoming familiarity, and requested him to take his place on the "Marquis de Leveille!" By the boy's side

A TEAT CONTAINING NUMEROUS PLATES.

coffee cups and pyramids of brown and white bread, the boy said, "I have a lot of bread here."

"Well," said the boy, "and here's a slice of brown bread was dexterously whistled into his high pocket. "I'll go in and look for

the slice of white bread." "Margot and I are going to Cleveland," he said, "and we're going to stay away." "I am not going to Cleveland," he said, "but I am going to see my wife again." "I am not going to Cleveland," he said, "but I am going to see my wife again."

He is a great favorite with the civil service reformers and the independentists. He was the first politician of either party who had the courage to take the lead in securing civil service reform legislation. There is no doubt but what this boldness cost him his seat in the Senate. The Cleveland administration will come in pledged to a civil-service policy, and it is thought here that there would be no difficulty in getting him elected.

Mr. Pendleton, the father of legislative reform, if Bayard should be Secretary of the Treasury, then it is probable that Pendleton would be offered the Secretarieship of State. Mr. Pendleton is a man who would grace the highest place in the gift of the Government. He is above the arts of the demagogue and has

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A FLAWLESS RECORD.

as a public man. He is a gentleman of great wealth and one of the most liberal enterprisers known in Washington. John R. McLean, bitterly opposed to Pendleton, and it is understood, to be a personal enemy to him. Removing the gag they assured him they would burn him slowly to death if he did not disclose the secret of his wife's name. But the visitor turned them around that they had all had in the house, he was caught and this time tortured in earnest. They heated a poker red hot, and removing the rag from his mouth, they told him either to divulge the hiding place of his money or to suffer the consequences. He assured them he had no money beyond what they had taken, but they refused to believe him and put him to the torture. His legs were prodded in a hundred different places, while in his right thigh a wound was made nearly an inch in depth. Before the visitor could get away, he was again tortured. The boy was jumping up and down, and his left hand held the iron bar of dairy butter. "Now," said the boy, "I am going to tell you where Margot and I are going to stay away." "I am not going to Cleveland," he said, "but I am going to see my wife again."

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## WORK FOR THE IDLE.

\$50,000 to be Devoted to Giving Employment to the Needy.

An Important Meeting at the Mayor's Office This Morning.

How Gen. Stevenson Proposes to Employ the Fund—His Prediction That Cholera is Surely Coming to St. Louis—Gen. Turner's Views—Sanitary Work to be Provided.

At 11 o'clock this morning the committee appointed at the Baroum Hotel meeting met at the Mayor's office in the City Hall to confer with Mayor Ewing, Gen. Stevenson and Gen. Turner on the advisability of raising a fund on the part of the city to meet the emergency which had developed later in the year, at the same time put the town into good sanitary condition in anticipation of an epidemic in the spring. There were present Messrs Specht, Rainwater, Sampson, Thompson and J. W. McCullagh, who, together with Gen. Turner and Gen. Stevenson, took seats about Mayor Ewing and began the conference:

Mr. Specht, the chairman of the committee, began by stating that a number of merchants had agreed to contribute \$100,000. Mayor Ewing, Gen. Stevenson and Gen. Turner, at the same time, gave \$100,000 each, so that the amount was after 2 he was resting easily, entirely out of danger. His father has been telegraphed.

## CITY HALL NOTES.

Hurt by a Bush—Small-Pox Spreading Amongst Mammals.

City Treasury receipts today: Health Commissioner for ice permits, \$32; Sewer scales, \$10; Licenses, \$1,251; Taxes, \$78,583 17.

D. M. Osborne & Co. took out a permit today for the construction of a building on the northwest corner of Twenty-second and Gratiot streets.

John J. Hotz, while working a buzz saw in the Phoenix Planing Mill this morning, had two fingers of his right hand cut off. He was admitted to the hospital and one hour later was released.

Gen. Turner—There is no trouble to find work cleaning, but we can do nothing now until street cleaning begins. You can spend all the money you want.

Gen. Rainwater—Can we spend it to advantage?

Gen. Turner—Oh, yes [with a rather doubtful inflection]; that is, you can clean the streets. But two or three days of warm rain will make macadam as bad as ever. You can spend \$20,000 if you see fit to do so.

Mr. John McCullagh—My idea is that the cleaning down for sanitary purposes is a good enough look to.

Mr. Specht—I understand if we keep the dust bins in the main streets, there would be more general satisfaction. You start your own bureau of employment, and I will furnish you overalls and will set it to that the work is done. You will have to pay me for the work.

Gen. Stevenson—We give them a fair day when the work is done; they can then go to the evening and you can pay them.

Several gentlemen—That's a good idea.

Mr. Thompson—What ought we to pay?

Mr. Specht—\$100,000 a day.

Mr. Specht—That would depend on the number to be employed and upon the amount of our money.

Mr. Thompson—We must remember that this is charity.

Mr. Rainwater—And self-preservation.

Here followed a general discussion in which the most important fact struck out was that \$20,000 paid for the work.

Mr. Specht—If street cleaning is the best way to get rid of the dirt, we will get plenty of teams.

Gen. Turner—You can do nothing but clean up.

Gen. Stevenson—There is nothing to do but clean up.

Gen. Rainwater—The majority of the suffering among the poor is always at the season.

Mr. McCullagh—We should organize the work.

Mr. Rainwater—It will take thirty days to get organized.

Gen. Turner—When a thaw comes we will get to work.

Major Rainwater—If we could say to the people of St. Louis that the work will be advantageously used, we do not doubt of our ability to raise at least \$20,000.

Mr. Specht—General how far would \$20,000 go?

Gen. Turner—As I said, you could spend \$20,000. It depends on the area you are going to cover. You can spend \$7,000 a day.

Mr. Specht—I think the alleys should be cleaned.

Gen. Turner—As a rule the streets are not dirty, they are dirty, but it is domestic dirt.

Mr. McCullagh—What would \$20,000 a year do?

Gen. Turner—It would help.

Mr. Thompson—What is your annual appropriation?

Gen. Turner—Generally \$100,000. This year I have \$100,000. New York has only thirty miles more of paved streets than we, but they pay \$1,000,000 a year.

Major Rainwater—What does the Health Commission say?

GENERAL STEVENSON SAID:

"You have two purposes. To help the poor, and to prevent disease. The poor and their dwellings and sanitary works are altogether different. One goes for the mud and dirt, the other attacks the insanitary conditions in the territorial areas of the city. It is not at all bad, when to do it by inspection where these spots are. We have not the time to inspect every house in the city. If I could have a great many men, but I haven't, and until the time comes when we can give much employment, you see we must make hours inspection, work that must be done by men who are not paid. Any scheme for general employment must be dependent on the work the inspections would develop. As far as we are concerned we want to do what you. Nothing can be done now, but it is free from the expense to get the municipal legislature to reorganize the sanitary corps, I could get ready to give work to everybody for pretty nearly all the men you would employ."

Major Rainwater—Suppose that we should divide the work?

General Stevenson—if you give me \$10,000, I will do the inspection of the poor, and I am sure you will the inspection of the sanitary work.

Gen. Turner—General how far would \$10,000 go?

Gen. Stevenson—It will remain until after the holidays.

A special meeting of the Executive Board of the Y. M. C. A. will be held Friday evening, Dec. 26.

Mr. William Fullam, an old resident of St. Louis County, died last night at his residence about a mile from this city. The funeral will take place to-morrow.

Major Rainwater—I understand, then, that the Health and Street Departments will cordially cooperate with us and we will report back to the board from time to time.

This show-case of Mrs. Butler's shoe-store on East Main street was broken into, and six pairs of shoes, valued at \$20, were taken. The thief left.

It was unanimously agreed that such a report be made. The committee is to report to the Board of Trade, suggested to Mr. Lester, charged with pettiness, and that the State was willing to grant a certificate of incorporation of the association, and disavowing his ownership, was illegal, and he accordingly set aside the will, and gave all the property left by the father, to his daughter.

Did Not Want Freedom.

Looking over the deserving jail prisoners to-day

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He Archishop Will Speak.

Archbishop Konklin has consented to deliver an address at the pontifical high mass at St. John's Church, Sixteenth and Chestnut streets, which he will celebrate to-morrow at 10:30 o'clock. This

## HEAVENLY HELP.

How the Signal Service Was Mysteriously Assisted.

More Cold in Prospect—Fifty Below in Montana—Local Indications.

That large portion of American humanity which has seen nothing but earthly uncertainty in the predictions of the Signal Service must now give way to the mangnifie set of citizens who have been rid of it for years. It is a measure of supernatural certainty in every weather prophet, and that seeming failures of verification from time to time were simply disguised to disarm any suspicion that the chief signal officer had any communication with the Fates that prevent him from giving the true forecast and make so much of the joy or misery. In the light of yesterday's developments there can no longer be any question that Mr. Crookshank would have known the secret of the signal service. In the afternoon a telegraphic order came from Washington ordering the cold wave to be stopped.

## SISCO, THE FIEND.

A Country Merchant Slain in His Own Store.

The Cupidity of a Worthless Negro—A Desperate Struggle for Life—The Murderer Fails to Secure Any Plunder and Escapes—Details of the Tragedy.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1884.

The Christmas edition of the **Post-Dispatch** will be issued to-morrow in accordance with our inviolable custom.

The influence of the Christmas season evidently does not extend to Congress. The two houses do not wish each other a merry Christmas.

Our Christmas number to-morrow will be an unusually interesting issue. Among its many and varied features it will include a symposium of Christmas literature from the best local literary talent.

The burning of HARRIGAN & HART's theater in New York is to be regretted on account of the pecuniary loss to the two comedians who have done so much to add to the world's sum of pleasure, and a deeper regret will be felt over the reflection that not a single American play was burned up.

The Chicago Times says that "Mr. HOLMES of the South Division Street Railway is devoting or investigating systems whereby his street cars can be warmed during the winter seasons." We advise Mr. HOLMES to desist under penalty of incurring the enmity of our John H. MAXON of the Squeeze-'Em Up line. When the Post-Dispatch last year suggested the possibility of warming street cars in winter MAXON replied with great force and aptness that the next thing the passengers would want would be to warm and palm-leaf fans in summer.

The practice of medicine seems to have reached such a degree of perfection in Missouri that the doctors of the State Board of Health feel it incumbent on them to refuse a license to a physician, not because he lacks the legal and scientific qualifications, but because they disapprove of his method of advertising his business and obtaining practice. This is making a code of medical ethics a part of the law of the land. It is assuming a legislative power which has not been and should not be conferred upon any school or clique of medical men. It is to be followed up with an order prescribing what patent medicines may or may not be advertised in this State, and depriving druggists of license for not submitting their advertisements to the State Board for revision!

An OHIO teacher by the name of STOOLIN has been doing some good teaching in Kentucky. It seems he followed a lady teacher to that State when her parents had sent her there to separate her from him, and that a love-quarrel they had about another woman in the Kentucky village where they were both teaching divided the community into two parties, and libel suits ensued. Thereupon one of the parties insisted on meddling with an affair that did not concern them, undertook to forestall a legal settlement of the controversy by sending STOOLIN out of the country in a coat of tar and feathers. With the assistance of four friends he defended his house against a large body of self-appointed regulators, killing one man on the spot and wounding others so that several have since died.

A GREAT change is apparent in the Cincinnati Enquirer since the election of a Democratic President. Formerly its editorials were limited to a few flippant, mocking paragraphs, in order that "Gath" might have unlimited space for praising the Republican party, its candidates, its policies, and misrepresenting everybody and everything connected with the other side. Now the coldest days of the season fail to catch the Enquirer without double-leaded leaders, a yard long, devoted to the manufacture of a Cabinet for CLEVELAND. Such a marked change is liable to impress readers with a vague idea that the election has imposed a tremendous load upon the shoulders of the Enquirer man, and that he is perfectly willing to pose before the country as the editor and proprietor of the new Administration.

WE ARE always willing to publish a temperate and reasonable statement of any side of a public question, we must make some corrections of the article of "Anti-Humbug" on the street car question in our People's Forum. We assure "Anti-Humbug" and all the managers and stockholders of the street car lines in this city that it is a great mistake to suppose that the discussion of the question was "started for sensational purposes and to make the paper sell." It was started by the public, not by the newspapers. The continuance of the discussion is proof sufficient that the grievance of the public is a substantial one, not to be disposed of by any pretense that the passengers in the street cars, the people who have given the franchises and whose money supports them, want "a private car and a chrome throw-in." They want decent and sufficient service, and that they do not get.

**Senate and House.**

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One can hardly imagine a more painful mockery of fun than the customary Christmas festivities on the Stock Exchange of New York this year. If there is one spot that has suffered from the revenge of fate, it is that chief gambling hell of the continent. After years of riot and revel, after fattening on the prosperity of the country, to which it has contributed nothing, its turn has come. Amid wide-spread loss and disaster, of which the chief causes are clearly traceable to this same Stock Exchange, it is made the chief sufferer, and in its losses it has no sympathy. It has been a national vampire, an Old Man of the Sea on the neck of our business prosperity. Its gambling contests decided the course of financial and commercial events, and always to their detriment.

It has been a great gain to this country that the Broad street gambling Exchange of New York City has been finally relegated to its proper position. There was no permanency in any business prosperity as long as it was in the power of combinations of mere gamblers to unsettle all values, and there was no hope of establishing the real relations of trade until this vicious system was overthrown.

The fate of the gamblers on the Stock Exchange should be a warning to the gamblers in grain and produce on the floor of every Merchant Exchange and Board of Trade in the country, not excepting the one in St. Louis. As a basis for business gambling will not do, and it is only a question of time when the evil will cure itself at a heavy cost and great loss to its supporters.

**DAKOTA.**

Chicago's Republican organs can see nothing in the attitude of our Missouri Senators on the Dakota question but sectional prejudice, partisan hatred of the Territory because it is Republican, old Confederate prejudice against everything loyal, Southern sectionalism, etc. The truth about the matter is that a Democratic Senator has yet been afforded a chance to oppose the admission of Dakota as a State upon any application showing that her people desire admission and have the requisite population. No such proposition has been submitted to Congress. The one that has been submitted is simply a partisan job, involving sectionalism of the worst kind, and a gross outrage upon the people of Dakota. It is a proposition to admit South Dakota as another pocket borough State for the benefit of the Ordway clique, and to give the Republicans and the railroad kings two more votes in the Senate, while leaving nearly half the people of the territory, who live in the Northern part, deprived for years of the benefits of Statehood. If a part of the Territory is entitled to admission, the whole must be still more so, and the only reason for dividing it arises out of strictly partisan considerations of the lesser sort. In opposing this scheme of the

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ST. XAVIER'S CHAPEL.

In this new church, of the Linck  
family, the first high mass will be at 8 a.m., and the  
choir will sing "Adeste Fideles" and other appropriate hymns.

At 10:30 a.m. the organ will be  
of Haydn's Mass at 4:30 o'clock, and  
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The choir, directed by Mr. C. W. John, will be composed of Misses Lu-

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W. C. STEIGERS

is wishing to contract for ad-

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## OBSERVED WITH HONOR

How Christmas Will be Celebrated  
in Some of the Leading Local  
Churches.

Archbishop Kenrick and Pontifical High  
Mass—Dedication of Trinity Episcopal  
Other Programs.

By the spurious decrets the origin of Christmas  
is attributed to Telephus, who flourished from 193  
to 161 A.D., but the first real traces of it appeared in  
the reign of Emperor Commodus of Rome,  
whose time was from 180 to 192. The great day  
may be said to have had a baptism of fire as it is  
quite definitely proved by history that the Emperor  
Diocletian, who held the throne from 284 to 305,  
closed the church doors on a body of Christians  
holding the day of Nicomedia, and setting fire to the  
building containing them.

In these churches the dates were various, some  
celebrating the birth of Christ in May or April,  
while others took the month of January. Certain  
it is that they were probably as nearly right as  
those who settled the present day, since, as one  
authority says, December 25 could not in any prob-  
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## RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

**John's Church.** Corner of Dolman and Main (12th and) and First Street. Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Second service and Holy Communion at 12:30 p. m. Third service and Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Bishop Robertson celebrant and preacher.

**Trinity Church.** Channing and Franklin Streets. Rev. George C. Heath, Rector. Christmas eve, services, 8 p. m.; blessing of the altar and church, 11 a. m.; service, 12:30 p. m.; blessing of the altar and church, 11 a. m.; Bishop Robertson celebrant and preacher at all offices.

## LODGE NOTICES.

**O. S. C.** The annual session of the Grand Lodge of Missouri will be held Monday, December 20, at the Hotel Van Zandt, 13 S. 4th st. W. MITCHELL, Grand Chieftain. R. N. BROOK, Grand Secretary. wos

**SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.**

## Stock-keepers.

**M.** MONEY to loan on all personal property from \$20 to \$100, at S. Van Raalte's loan office, 13 S. 4th st. wos

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## New Cards.

**S.** Our stock is the finest and largest in the city; cards from \$2 to \$100, Hallman Bros., 812 Olive st. wos

**WANTED—** A young man 18 years old; W. MITCHELL, Grand Chieftain, 13 S. 4th st. wos

**WANTED—** A young man who was in a general mercantile business, and wanted to buy a place & place a first-class clerk; speaks English and German; prefer clothing and general furnishings. Address 3005 Adams st. wos

**WANTED—** A situation in a hotel as day or night clerk for a hotel and restaurant; must be of good reference. Address John McDermitt, 1272 St. Charles, 11th and Locust st. wos

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## The Traders.

**WANTED—** Situation by a first-class house painter; will work for his board; small spring; best ref. Ad. J. S. 12th and Locust st. wos

## Conchures and Drivers.

**WANTED—** Situation as porter, janitor, or driver, or whatever I can get for my family. Ad. C. Williams, 105 Lafayette st. wos

**WANTED—** A boy that knows the city well and can drive a delivery wagon; must have best recommendations. Apply at 714 S. 7th st. wos

## Cooks.

**WANTED—** A boy that knows the city well; has had experience and knows the city well. Ad. B. H. 10th and Locust st. wos

**WANTED—** A boy of 16 wishes a situation at any kind of work. Ad. Mike Maher, 1227 N. 10th st. in the rear, Ed floor. wos

**WANTED—** Situation as porter or delivery boy; must be of good character; must be reliable. Address 1010 F. St. wos

**WANTED—** Situation as grocery keeper; has had experience; good ref. if required. Ad. J. S. 12th and Locust st. wos

**WANTED—** Responsible position by middle aged man; experienced in office work; good reference and security can be given. Ad. N. 28, this office. wos

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## WANTED—PARTNERS.

**C.** CROAKER says this is no KENNARD, but the best. Call at 5c. Try him.

**WANTED—** An office partner who will take interest in my business; good references; must be extended without limit; \$150 required. Call at 12 S. 7th st. wos

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**C.** HOAKER says a lot of light strikes the G. D. when it is broken. Buy one.

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**WANTED—** Situation to do general housework, with washing, etc. Give references. Ad. Mrs. D. Madison, Venet, Ill. wos

**WANTED—** To do general housework at a young girl, M. H., 1830 N. 10th st. wos

**WANTED—** By respectable Welsh girl, aged 16, just arrived. Give references. Ad. Mrs. E. L. Burton, 120 S. 7th st. wos

**WANTED—** Winemakers required; work warranted; send postals; will call at your house. Burton's, 120 S. 7th st. wos

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**WANTED—** By a married man, a situation as first-class cook or steward; must do work of any kind; object, a home. Ad. A. S. Clark, this office. wos

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DANIEL C. YOUNG, Manager.

A LEAP-YEAR LAMENT.

The golden year is nearly sped—  
This year of air is woe,  
And lo! my hope of love is dead  
And fate is past undoing!  
What joy in this, the magic spring  
When blossoms are in bloom!  
I proffered their caresses,  
Like some coquettish, giddy thing,  
I spurned their fond addresses.

So Minnie, Maggie, Maud, and Belle,  
Miranda, Jane, and Jessie, too,  
Marry, and wed, and well  
And charming blue-eyed Bessie  
Wanting wood other kinder men  
To come and take her home,  
I, by this hevra, am  
Was left without attention.

In the sere of autumn, came  
That sweetest maid of many,  
With whom I was never known to fame—  
The bairn who wove me can,  
And having wove as woman can,  
Protesting she adored me.  
She was a wretched, poor man—  
And that completely doored me!

Only celibate, that spurned  
The leap-year woeing wench,  
The leap-year woeing wench turned  
To leap-year stern.  
I'd give a world to have my fame—  
If I could sum up to me some—  
In this bleak hour these nymphs that came  
In early frost to woo me!

MISS SCAMPER.

Thomas Dunn English. *Harper's Bazaar.*  
 Note at the Empress of China springs  
 know where Miss Scamper was and care'd to know.  
 She came with an old gentleman, who  
 received the pair as "S. Scamper and grand-  
 daughter, New York city." They had no ser-  
 vants with them. The young man wore a suit of  
 navy-blue black, and his trim, leather convenience,  
 bore the letters S. S. in brass-headed studs.  
 The young woman's trunk—she had but one—  
 was large enough and of modern make, but it was apparently not well  
 filled with clothes. The young man did not  
 fit into the three weeks she had remained. One of  
 these, of rich material, she wore of evenings;  
 the other two, of some washable material, were  
 worn alternately in daytime. She had no jew-  
 elry except a plain gold brooch. One of the  
 two "Sunday-go-to-meetin'" and two  
 work-day suits," for which his neighbor  
 should have kicked him, but didn't. The  
 eligible young man was looking for an eligible  
 young woman, and he found Miss Bolsover,  
 whom the society paper had said was  
 coming to the Rappahannock; though, as she  
 had not come, the Brown's young man of the  
 society party had to be a disappointment.  
 The match-making lovers did not fear a mis-  
 est, pretty and well-cultured young woman, for  
 the gilded youth who were also living in wait  
 for Miss Bolsover, much more gilded, did not  
 dare in her train. Indeed, she had no train,  
 and with whom the waters seemed to agree. Didi-  
 myns Dodd, who had scraped an acquaintance  
 with old Scamper, and the few irreverent  
 sailors he had seen, had been a disappointment.  
 Didiymus was nobody. He was well-made, tall,  
 handsome, and of good address; but he was on  
 an upper clerk in a Philadelphia insurance  
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 a year, was not a great comfort. So the field was  
 left to Miss Scamper and welcome.

Didymus only began paying attention to Miss Scamper out of courtesy, and because no one else did; but the more he saw of her the more he liked her. As he and she were the only impudent  
 people at the old-fashioned resort—the other  
 visitors counting their dollars well up in the  
 matter of attraction, he was the only one who  
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Miss Scamper laughed a low, silvery laugh.  
 "I presume she will," he said, "unless she has a  
 chance to marry. Wasn't that a sad accident  
 at the mill to-day?"

"She has a wife and five children.  
 I went over to see how they were to see if they were in pressing need, you know;

but that part is all right. This Miss Bolsover,  
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